



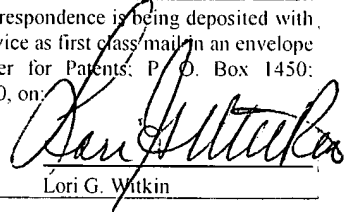
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated April 24, 2008, please amend this patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Complete Listing of the Claims and begin on page 2 of this Response.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this Response.